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## PART FOUR

# CONFINEMENT OF US MILITARY PRISONERS

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The Military Police Corps' role in the confinement of US military prisoners is an integral part of the MP law and order mission. MP confinement operations assist in maintaining discipline and unit strength. The confinement of soldiers who transgress the laws and regulations of the military helps commanders ensure that discipline is upheld.

MP are responsible for the confinement of US military prisoners in both wartime and peacetime environments.

Military police detain, confine, protect, and sustain US military prisoners. MP evacuate prisoners when it is necessary. MP play a major role in the Army's correctional system for US military prisoners. From detention to confinement and correctional treatment, MP

carry out Army policy by ensuring that persons held in Army custody are accorded humane care and treatment. The means, methods, and facilities used to carry out this operation differ with the environment. But the MP's just exercise of custody and control and their humane treatment of prisoners remains a constant.

Military police participation in the Army's confinement and correctional system—

- Assists the commander in maintaining good order and discipline in the armed forces.
- Promotes efficiency and effectiveness in the military criminal justice establishment.
- Strengthens the national security of the US.

